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In re Application of

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For: ELECTRIC POWER STEERING APPARATUS

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313 - 1450

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 7, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-10, 12-18, and 20-32 are all the claims presently pending in the application. Claims 1-2, 12, 16-17, and 20 are amended to more clearly define the invention and claims 11 and 19 are canceled. Claims 1 and 16 are independent.